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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: ENHANCEMENT OF BACTERICIDAL  
ACTIVITY OF NEISSERIA ANTIGENS WITH  
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES CONTAINING CG  
MOTIFS

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Examiner: N. Minnifield

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated January 27, 2009 (Paper No. 20090121), for which a response was due on April 27, 2009. This Amendment is filed with a one month request for extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 27, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper